

occasion of his retirement from the Service on August 31, 2018.

Steve Hildreth served Congress with distinction for more than 32 years at the Library of Congress as a Specialist in U.S. and Foreign National Security Programs for the Congressional Research Service. He earned a bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University in Provo, UT, a master's degree in international relations from Georgetown University in Washington, DC, graduate work at Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, DC, and a master's degree in national security strategy from the National War College in Washington, DC.

Steve is recognized throughout Congress, the military services, the defense community, and the arms control community as an expert in U.S. nuclear weapons and ballistic missile defense, arms control, military space, and non-proliferation issues. He wrote extensively on missile defense programs, from the Strategic Defense Initiative in the 1980s through the current guided-missile defense and Aegis programs. He also assisted the House Armed Services Committee, after the first Gulf war, with assessments of the effectiveness of the Patriot system in taking down Iraqi Scud missiles. In that capacity, he assisted Congress in 8 hours of testimony, leading a group of CRS researchers in providing open source analysis of the international aftermath of the September 11, 2001, terror attacks before the 9/11 Commission. Halfway through, the staff director for the Commission told Steve, "I never believed in open source analysis until today."

Steve also exercised true leadership at CRS. For 9 years, he led the Central Research Unit in the Foreign Affairs, Defense, and Trade Division of CRS, where he created and managed an extensive internship program and oversaw many of the research experts of the Service.

Steve published many influential CRS reports on such subjects as challenges to the United States in space, Iran's ballistic missile and space launch programs, long-range ballistic missile defense in Europe, ballistic missile defense in the Asia-Pacific region, ballistic missile defense, and offensive arms reductions, cyber warfare, and the Strategic Defense Initiative.

Long before I thought of running for office, I worked on national security issues for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. In that capacity, I always found Steve's expertise valuable. As a Senator, I have continued to utilize Steve's analysis and insights. I am grateful for his service and wish him the best as he begins a new journey.

#### TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN MIGUEL COSIO

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, today I wish to honor a great American and steadfast Air National guardsman.

Capt. Miguel "Mike" E. Cosio has distinguished himself through his professional character and dedication by serving this Nation in uniform. A leader and expert communicator, he has provided distinguished service to our country while assigned to the National Capitol Region.

As an Air legislative liaison in the National Guard Bureau Office of Legislative Liaison from May 2016 to August 2018, Captain Cosio performed his duties well and without reservation. His strategic thinking and foresight contributed to the completion of numerous high-level tasks and engagements between Congress and the National Guard. During this assignment, Captain Cosio conducted more than 50 congressional engagements to provide Members insight into the worsening trend of substance misuse and the critical role of the National Guard's counterdrug program in effectively combating this epidemic. He also actively engaged Members of Congress regarding the growth of the State Partnership Program, a vital driver in strengthening our alliances overseas. In addition to those meetings, he organized dozens of direct engagements between Air National Guard senior leaders and Members of Congress, which were essential in conveying important information on behalf of the Department of Defense and building trust and understanding.

After serving in this vital role for the past 2 years, Captain Cosio will move to his next assignment: deploying in support of our Nation's defense as a true citizen-airman. Mike, his wife, Traci, and their two children have sacrificed much as a family in service to our Nation. I am thankful for Mike's service and his work with my office over the past 2 years on issues important to the State of New Hampshire and the country. I salute this American patriot whose selfless service has kept our country safe and strong.

Thank you.

#### TRIBUTE TO DONALD SHRIBER

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and thank Donald Shriber for his more than 30 years of public service. In addition to being an outstanding public servant who has dedicated his career to government service, Donald is also a proud Marylander. At the end of the month, Donald will retire from the Federal Government after a distinguished career at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate.

Donald began his career with the CDC as the head of the agency's Washington, DC, office and went on to lead policy and communications for CDC's important work in global health. Donald leaves a legacy of deep engagement in public health policy and a cadre of colleagues mentored to think creatively to solve complex public health challenges. Before starting at the CDC,

Donald began his policy career on Capitol Hill, working in the House and Senate on healthcare and public health-related legislation. He served as a senior adviser to the legendary John Dingell, writing laws that continue to have a major impact on public health and healthcare today.

During his tenure at CDC, Donald was awarded two prestigious Presidential Rank Awards for his leadership. A steady hand during a public health emergency, Donald helped advise four CDC Directors, three Acting Directors, and countless administration officials over three administrations through complex policy discussions during some of the biggest public health challenges of the 21st century, including 9/11, the anthrax attacks of 2001, SARS, Hurricane Katrina, the H1N1 flu pandemic, and the Ebola epidemic.

Among his many contributions to the agency, the one most appreciated by many of his colleagues has been his thoughtful mentorship to the next generation of CDC leaders. Always a voice of wisdom, Donald is a reliable source of thoughtful strategic advice and novel approaches to public health policy. He challenged the agency to think about how policies in all areas of government can affect public health, and he made the agency stronger by working to leverage those areas across government to improve public health.

Today, I want to recognize Donald for his career at the CDC, his dedication to public service, and a lifetime of work that has truly made a difference to the health of our Nation and around the world. On behalf of the U.S. Congress, his fellow Marylanders, and a grateful nation, I want to thank Donald for the important work he has done and wish him the very best in his next phase of life.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO GRACE SHORE

• Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and congratulate Grace Shore, CEO of the Macomb County Chamber of Commerce. Grace is being honored for her lifetime achievements and her 40 years of service to the Macomb Chamber and to Macomb County, upon her induction into the Macomb Hall of Fame. During her tenure with the chamber, Grace has been a champion for businesses throughout Macomb County and an advocate for improving the community where she has spent most of her life.

Grace has been with the Macomb Chamber for 40 years and was named its CEO in 1991. Since then, Macomb has grown economically and cemented itself as a key economic player in the region. During her tenure, Grace has implemented many programs to help bolster Macomb's economy. A recent program was "Shop Local Macomb" during the 2017 holiday season, a campaign that encouraged residents to

visit stores in their local community in order to ensure that their holiday shopping made an impact close to home.

In her role as CEO, Grace has brought innovative thinking, new programs, and the ability to create partnerships with local governments and stakeholders, turning the Macomb Chamber into a catalyst for economic development, and allowing it to provide member organizations with a number of economic development initiatives, networking opportunities, and professional development seminars. All of these achievements have earned the Macomb Chamber the respect of its peers, not just in the region, but around Michigan. Grace's hard work and efforts have culminated in the Macomb Chamber being recognized twice with the Outstanding Chamber of the Year Award from the Michigan Association of Chamber Professionals. Grace has also been previously named the Michigan Chamber Professional of the Year by the Michigan Association of Chamber Professionals.

The Macomb Chamber has two branch organizations that work side-by-side with it: the Macomb Foundation and Macomb Advocacy for Business. The Macomb Foundation hosts events such as the annual Macomb Hall of Fame and the Athena Award with the aim of expanding the role Macomb County plays in Michigan's economy and to support the many community and nonprofit groups throughout Macomb County. Macomb Advocacy's mission is to educate member organizations and the public on policy and political issues, as well as candidates, to make Macomb a better place for businesses and residents alike.

In the 40 years that Grace has been with the Chamber of Commerce, Macomb has diversified from its manufacturing heritage and grown into a high-tech corridor. While it still stays true to its industrial roots, it now has many defense and technology companies within its borders and continues to present more opportunities every day. I would like to congratulate Grace on reaching the momentous milestone of 40 years with the Macomb Chamber of Commerce and on being inducted into the Macomb Hall of Fame. I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring Ms. Grace Shore for her lifetime of contributions to Macomb County and the economic development of the surrounding region.●

## MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH) reported that on today, August 22, 2018, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. COMSTOCK):

S. 717. An act to promote pro bono legal services as a critical way in which to empower survivors of domestic violence.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 994, A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the protection of community centers with religious affiliation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-325).

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CORKER for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Donald R. Tapia, of Arizona, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Jamaica.

Nominee: Donald Ray Tapia.

Post: Ambassador to Jamaica.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee: Capito For West Virginia, 5,200, 3/25/2013; Flake PAC, 5,000, 4/02/2013; Andrew Walter For Congress, 2,600, 8/26/2013; Andrew Tobin For Congress, 2,600, 10/28/2013; National Republican Commission, 15,000, 10/31/13; National Republican Commission, 6,413, 11/07/13; NRSC, 15,000, 11/02/2013; Jeff Flake For Senate, 5,200, 11/19/2013; RNC, 70,000, 2014; Tom Cotton For Senate, 5,200, 3/19/2014; Flake PAC, 5,000 3/31/2014; Corey Gardner For Senate, 5,200, 6/06/2014; Andy Tobin For Congress, 2,700, 4/20/2015; Marco Rubio for President, 2,700, 4/21/2015; Portman For Senate, 2,700, 4/24/2015; Salmon For Congress, 2,700, 6/10/2015; Carly For President, 2,700, 8/26/2015; Joe Heck For Senate, 2,700, 9/18/2015; Marco Rubio For President, 2,700, 11/03/2015; Chris Christie For President, 2,700, 11/25/2015; Marco Rubio For President, 2,700, 12/10/2015; Conservative Solutions PAC, 50,000, 2/22/2016; Biggs For Congress, 2,500, 3/31/2016; Friends of John McCain, 5,400, 5/03/2016; Trump Victory, 25,000, 6/14/2016; Trump Victory, 25,000, 6/28/2016; Volunteers For Nehlen, 1,000, 7/10/2016; Trump Victory, 25,000, 8/03/2016; Ken Bennett For Congress, 2,500, 8/12/2016; Kiehne For Congress, 2,500, 8/18/2016; Marco Rubio For Senate, 2,700, 9/24/2016; Marco Rubio For Senate, 2,700, 9/24/2016; Paul Babeu For Congress, 5,000, 9/24/2016; Winning Women's Committee, 10,000, 9/29/2016; Trump Victory, 25,000, 6/28/2016; Trump Victory, 5,000, 11/01/2016; Trump Make America Great, 752, 11/26/2016; Comstock For Congress, 966, 12/08/2016; Josh Mandel For Senate, 5,400, 2/08/2017; Regan, 5,100, 3/7/17; Marsha Blackburn Victory Fund, 5,400, 3/30/2017; Roger Wicker For Senate, 5,400, 4/05/2017; Paul Ryan, 5,400, 4/25/17; Team Ryan, 12,500, 4/25/17; NRCC, 7,100, 4/25/17; RGA, 25,000, 5/5/17; AZ Republican Party, 25,000, 5/12/17; George P. Bush, 5,000, 6/29/17; Steve Smith For Congress, 5,400, 6/26/2017; RGA, 25,000, 9/25/17; Trump Victory, 94,600, 10/3/2017; Donald Trump For President, 5,400, 10/06/2017; RNC, 94,600, 10/06/2017; Jeff Flake, 2,600, 11/7/17; Steve Ferrara, 5,000, 11/8/17; RGA, 25,000, 12/6/17; Martha McSally, 5,400, 1/19/18; Moses Sanchez, 3,175, 2/7/18; Matt Rosendale, 2,700, 2/14/18; Andy Biggs, 2,700, 2/22/18; NRSC, 5,000, 2/28/18; Schweikert, 5,000, 3/29/18; Schweikert Victory, 5,000, 3/29/18; Rick Scott, 5,400, 4/5/18; RAGA, 1,569.77, 4/11/18; Debbie Lesko, 2,700, 4/13/18; NRSC, 24,700, 5/13/18; Justin Olson, 2,000, 5/25/18.

1. Spouse: N/A.

2. Children and Spouses: Tim & Sheri Tapia—none. Londa & Will Perkins—none.

3. Parents: Jessie Joseph Tapia—deceased; Constance Geraldine Snapp—deceased.

4. Grandparents: Thorthon Snapp—deceased; Myrtle Snapp—deceased; Joseph Tapia—deceased; Maria Medina Tapia—deceased.

5. Brothers and Spouses: N/A.

6. Sisters and Spouses: Jessie Jane Cordell, none.

\*Michael A. Hammer, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Nominee: Michael A. Hammer.

Post: Democratic Republic of Congo.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: none.

2. Spouse: none.

Children and Spouses: Monika Hammer, Mikael Hammer, Brynia Hammer: none.

4. Parents: Magdalena Altares: Michael Peter Hammer, deceased.

5. Grandparents: Alberto and Magdalena Altares, deceased; Edward Hammer, deceased; Lilly Steinlauf, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: N/A.

7. Sisters and Spouses: N/A.

\*Dereck J. Hogan, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Moldova.

Nominee: Dereck J. Hogan.

Post: Moldova.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: \$0.

2. Spouse: \$0.

3. Children and Spouses: Hannah Hogan (daughter): \$0.

4. Parents: Father, Eric Hogan: \$0; Mother, Michaela Hogan (deceased).

5. Grandparents: Vernon Jackson: \$0; other grandparents, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Kyle Hogan: \$25, 2008, Barack Obama.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Tahra Tibbs: \$0.

\*Philip S. Kosnett, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kosovo.

Nominee: Philip Scott Kosnett.

Post: KOSOVO.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: \$100.00, 2/2016, ACTBLUE.

2. Spouse: Jan Alison Kosnett \$38.50, 2/2016, ACTBLUE.

3. Children and Spouses: Alexander Kosnett (son): \$5.00, 11/2016, ACTBLUE. Nicole Kosnett (daughter) none.